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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**Patentee(s):** Rudolf Neumann

**Patent No.:** 6,925,854

**Issued:** August 9, 2005

**Application No.:** 10/756,675

**Filed:** January 13, 2004

**For:** METHOD AND DEVICE TO CHECK THE BEARING GAP OF A  
HYDRODYNAMIC BEARING

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**REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION**

**UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.323 AND 37 C.F.R. 3.81(b)**

Sir:

This is in response to the dismissal of the request for a Certificate of Correction under 37 C.F.R. § 1.323 in connection with the above-identified patent.

The request was denied due to the fact that when a request for a patent to be corrected to state the name of the assignee, it must be stated that the assignment was submitted for recordation as set forth in 37 C.F.R. 3.11 before issuance of the patent. The assignment was recorded on June 21, 2004, well before the issued patent date of August 9, 2005. A copy of the Notice of Recordation and assignment are enclosed.

A fee of \$100 was submitted with the original request for a Certificate of Correction. Therefore, no additional fee is required. A copy of the original request and check are also enclosed.

Authorization is given hereby to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment in the enclosed fee to Deposit Account No. 50-0675, Account No. 057517-0053.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: August 23, 2006  
New York, New York

By: Anna Vishev  
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Agent for Applicants  
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**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

Date of Deposit: August 23, 2006

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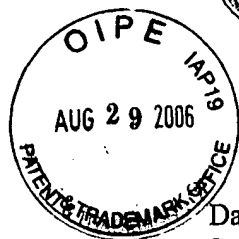
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Title : METHOD AND DEVICE TO CHECK THE BEARING GAP OF A  
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Re: Request for Certificate of Correction

Consideration has been given your request for the issuance of a certificate of correction for the above-identified patent under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.322 and/or 1.323.

Assignees' names and addresses (assignment data) printed in a patent are based *solely* on information supplied in the appropriate space for identifying the assignment data, i.e., item 3 of the Fee(s) Transmittal Form PTOL-85B. After payment of the issue fee, correction of assignment data submitted on the PTOL-85B can only be done by Certificate of Correction under 37 CFR 1.323, with a request under 37 CFR 3.81(b).

A request for a patent to be corrected to state the name of the assignee must:

- A. state that the assignment was submitted for recordation as set forth in 37 CFR 3.11 before issuance of the patent;
- B. include a request for a certificate of correction under 37 CFR 1.323 along with the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.20(a); and
- C. include the processing fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(i).

If the request is granted, Certificates of Correction Branch will be notified that a Certificate of Correction may be issued.

See Manual of Patent Examining Procedure, Section 1481.01 (Rev. 3) (Oct. 2005).

*Applicant has not included items A and or C above, accordingly, the request for Certificate of Correction to add or change the assignee data is dismissed.*

Any request under 37 CFR 3.81(b) should be directed to the following address or facsimile number:

By mail: Mail Stop PETITIONS  
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Post Office Box 1450  
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By hand: Customer Service Window  
Mail Stop Petitions  
Randolph Building  
401 Dulany Street  
Alexandria, VA 22314

By fax: 571-273-8300  
ATTN: Office of Petitions

If a fee (currently \$100) was previously submitted for consideration of a Request for Certificate of Correction, under CFR 1.323, to correct assignment data, no additional fee is required.

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## ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, Rudolf Neumann, a citizen of Germany having a mailing address at Buchenweg 8, 78549 Spaichingen, Germany (hereinafter "the Assignor"), has invented certain new and useful improvements in "Method and Device to Check the Bearing Gap of a Hydrodynamic Bearing", and

WHEREAS, Minebea Co., Ltd. (hereinafter "the Assignee"), a Japanese corporation, having a principal place of business at 4106-73 Oaza Miyota, Miyota-machi, Kitasaku-gun, Nagano 389-0293 Japan, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said Application and the invention described therein, and each and every patent that can be issued on said invention in the United States of America and in its territories and possessions, and in all countries foreign to the United States of America;

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, be it known that for and in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00), in hand paid, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the Assignor has sold, assigned and transferred, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign and transfer, unto the Assignee his full and exclusive right, title and interest in and to the aforesaid application, all inventions or discoveries disclosed or claimed therein, any continuation, continuation-in-part, division, renewal, extension, substitute, reexamination, or reissue applications thereof, all treaty and convention rights and all rights of priority arising from the aforesaid applications, all applications claiming priority therefrom, and each and every patent that may be issued on the aforesaid inventions and applications in the United States of America, and in its territories and possessions and also in all countries foreign to the United States of America, the same to be held and enjoyed by the Assignee for its own use and benefit, and for the use and benefit of its successors, assigns

or other legal representatives to the end of the term or terms for which a patent or patents may be granted as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by Assignor if this Assignment had not been made.

Assignor hereby authorizes and requests the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any and all Letters Patent on the aforesaid invention or resulting from the aforesaid application directly to the Assignee.

Assignor hereby authorizes the Assignee and its successors to apply for a patent or patents directly in its own name upon the aforesaid invention wherever the same is permitted by law, and also assign, sell, transfer and set over unto the Assignee and its successors all priority rights under the aforesaid application.

Assignor further covenants to execute all additional instruments and to do all things necessary to carry out the purpose of this instrument, at the expense of the Assignee and its successors.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have executed this document on the date indicated below.

Date: 30.3.04

Assignor: \_\_\_\_\_

  
Rudolf Neumann





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Sir:

This is to request a Certificate of Correction under 37 C.F.R. § 1.323 in connection with the above-identified patent. Patentees have enclosed a Certificate of Correction (Form PTO-1050, in duplicate) identifying errors in the patent.

The errors identified in the patent are believed to be the responsibility of patentees. None of these requested corrections constitutes new matter or requires reexamination.

A check is enclosed for \$100.00 to cover the certificate of correction fee for a large entity.

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